

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

LUANN BARBER,

Plaintiff,

v.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Case Number 14-11283  
Honorable David M. Lawson  
Magistrate Judge R. Steven Whalen

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**ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION  
AND DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT TO TRANSFER CASE  
TO THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**

Presently before the Court is the report issued on November 25, 2014 by Magistrate Judge R. Steven Whalen pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), recommending that the Court transfer the case to the Western District of Michigan, the judicial district in which the plaintiff resides. Although the report stated that the parties to this action could object to and seek review of the recommendation within fourteen days of service of the report, no objections have been filed thus far. The parties' failure to file objections to the report and recommendation waives any further right to appeal. *Smith v. Detroit Fed'n of Teachers Local 231*, 829 F.2d 1370, 1373 (6th Cir. 1987). Likewise, the failure to object to the magistrate judge's report releases the Court from its duty to independently review the matter. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985). However, the Court agrees with the findings and conclusions of the magistrate judge.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the magistrate judge's report and recommendation [dkt. #13] is **ADOPTED**.

It is further **ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court is directed to **TRANSFER** the case to the

United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan.

s/David M. Lawson  
DAVID M. LAWSON  
United States District Judge

Dated: December 15, 2014

**PROOF OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing order was served upon each attorney or party of record herein by electronic means or first class U.S. mail on December 15, 2014.

s/Susan Pinkowski  
SUSAN PINKOWSKI